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MINISTER OPENS THE NEW ASSESSMENT UNIT AT THE COOMBE WOMEN’S HOSPITAL

On the ground, health services are exploring new approaches to planning to address the needs of users of health services by meeting with each group of stakeholders to ensure that all perspectives are taken into account. This meeting took place on Friday, 19th October, at the National Conference on Health Reforms, which was attended by representatives from a wide range of sectors including academic, professional, patient, and public health organizations.

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The implementation of Health and Children has established a Project Office and 10 Action Projects to program the establishment of the new structures.

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  \item Sile Fleming, Director of HR on the HR/IR Board \item Michael Lyons, joint chair of the Shared Services group \item Maureen Windle, joint chair of the ICT Action Group. \end{itemize}
NATIONAL HOSPITALS OFFICE ACTION GROUP

Terms of Reference
- To develop guidelines for governance and accountability for all health service agencies on the basis of the guiding principles emerging from the discussion at the first and the second meetings of the group.

Joint Chairs
- John Collins, CEO, ECAHB
- Stiofain de Burca, CEO MWHB

Members
- Mary McGloughlin, DoF; David Beattie, DoHC; Michael Errity, DoF; Larry O'Reilly, DoHC; Jimmy Duggan, DoHC; Brian Doherty, DoHC; Dave Woulfe, DoHC; Deirdre Walsh, DoHC; Dr. Eibhlin Connolly, DoH&C; John Cregan, MHB; Paul Barron, Assistant Secretary, DoHC; Pat Harvey, DoHC; Willie Murphy, NWHB; Brendan Ingoldsby, DoHC; Kieran Feely, DoHC; Partnership Forum Project; Dr. Sean Conroy, WHB; ensure that:
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RESTRUCTURING OF THE DEPARTMENT ACTION GROUP

Terms of Reference
- To define the function and organisation of the HIQA with reference to the parameters outlined in The National Health Strategy in Phase II
- To develop specific proposals for mechanisms to support and improve integration within the “hospital network” concept and propose an appropriate legislative basis
- To develop proposals for the boundaries of the four regional offices of the PCCC Directorate

Joint Chairs
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- John O’Brien, DoHC

Members
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- Bernard Burke, DoHC; Declan Flynn, DoHC; Geraldine Luddy, Association of Chief Executives (DoHC)
- Liz Canavan, DoHC; Tony O'Brien, HSNPF; David Hughes, Hospitals; Kevin Callinan, HSNPF; David Hughes, DoHC and the HSE
- In considering implementation of its recommendations, the group will have complete regard for the scope for enabling the mainstreaming project to proceed ahead of the HSE, with the full participation of the PCCC, and the Maintenance and Certification Division.
- The respective roles and the relationship between the DoHC and the HSE.
- The commitment to a population health agenda and HIQA
- The removal of executive functions to the HSE
- The mainstreaming project
- The role of HIQA in relation to the implementation process;
- The commitment to an appropriate structure for the department in light of proposals to reflect:
  - the amalgamation of executive functions to the HSE
  - the abolition of policy-making functions from the department
  - the commitment to a population health agenda for the Health Service Executive
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GOVERNANCE ACTION GROUP

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- To advise proposals on the organisational structure of the National Hospitals Office within the DohC
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- To work on the AG issues to be advanced at the current of the developments in the following projects

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- Michael Lyons, DoHC; Larry O’Reilly, DoHC

Members
- Michael Lyons, CEO Tallaght Hospital
- Fergal Lynch, DoHC; Nora Lynch, ERHA; Desmond Fitzgerald DoH&C; Louise Dr. Eibhlin Connolly DoH&C; John Cregan MHB; Paul Barron, Assistant Secretary, DoHC; Pat Harvey, DoHC; Willie Murphy, NWHB; Brendan Ingoldsby, DoHC; Kieran Feely, DoHC; Partnership Forum Project; Dr. Sean Conroy, WHB; ensure that:
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HUMAN RESOURCES/INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS ACTION GROUP

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- John Hughes, PAHC, DoHC; Jim Gannon, DoHC; Addie Ennis, DoHC; Claire Healy, DoHC; John Feeley, DoHC; Eithne Doherty, DoHC; Alf Healy, DoHC; Brian Delany, DoHC; Liam McHale, DoHC; Donal Callinan, DoHC; Chris Callinan, DoHC; John O’Brien, DoHC; and their officers.

**Terms of Reference**

- To develop a framework to support a single financial reporting system for the health agencies.
- To liaise closely with the chairs of each group relevant to their terms of reference and other action projects.
- To develop a financial reporting model for the health agencies.
- To develop and implement a system to support the national service plan

**COMMUNICATIONS ACTION GROUP**

- Tim Melling, DoHC; Gail Burns, DoHC; John O’Brien, DoHC; John O’Byrne, DoHC; and their officers.

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**Action groups**

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- Tom Kelly (NWHB)
- Geraldine Smith, Director of Audit, ERHA
- Valerie Judge, Chief Officer, EHSS
- Dr. Elizabeth Keane, SHB
- Dora Hennessy (DoHC – Child Care Policy Unit)
- Fergal Goodman (DoHC – Primary Care Task Force)
- Frances Spillane, Pat Donnelly

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- Michael Lyons, Regional CEO, ERHA
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